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SUBJECT: HURRIYA VISIT: ADMIRAL ZIKRY PRESENTS STELA TO  
PRESIDENT FORD

1. VICE ADMIRAL ZIKRY WAS RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT FORD AT  
THE WHITE HOUSE JULY 14 IN ORDER TO PRESENT PRESIDENT  
SADAT'S BICENTENNIAL GIFT TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. PRESIDENT  
FORD RECEIVED ZIKRY IN HIS OFFICE FOR A BRIEF CHAT BEFORE  
STEPPING OUT ON THE TERRACE TO VIEW THE GIFT, AN ANCIENT  
EGYPTIAN STELA. ALSO AT THE MEETING WERE THE SECRETARY AND  
NSC ADVISOR SCOWCROFT. ZIKRY READ A FEW PREPARED REMARKS  
AND THE PRESIDENT IN RESPONSE THANKED PRESIDENT SADAT AND  
THE PEOPLE OF EGYPT FOR THIS PRICELESS ANTIQUITY. THE  
MEETING AND PRESENTATION LASTED ABOUT FIFTEEN MINUTES. THE  
REPORT OF THIS OCCASION INCLUDING ZIKRY'S REMARKS IS BEING  
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CARRIED IN THE JULY 14 WIRELESS FILE. AFTER CONSULTATION

WITH PROFESSOR SAID TAWFIQ AT THE END OF THE CEREMONY,  
A CUSTODIAN FROM THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION TOOK CHARGE  
OF THE STELA.

2. MRS. FORD VISITED THE HURRIYA, WHICH IS TIED UP AT THE  
WASHINGTON NAVAL YARD, IN THE AFTERNOON OF JULY 14. SHE  
WAS CONDUCTED ON A PERSONAL TOUR OF THE VESSEL BY ADMIRAL  
ZIKRY AND MRS. ASHRAF GHORBAL, WIFE OF THE EGYPTIAN

AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES.

3. USIA HAS CAPTURED EVENTS DESCRIBED PARAS ONE AND TWO  
ON FILM WHICH WILL BE SENT TO POST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

4. VISIT OF HURRIYA TO WASHINGTON HAS BEEN VERY SUCCESS-  
FUL WITH NO UNTOWARD EVENTS. U.S. NAVY PROGRAM FOR  
OFFICERS AND MEN OF HURRIYA HAS BEEN OUTSTANDING AND,  
ACCORDING TO ADMIRAL ZIKRY, DEEPLY APPRECIATED. MEDIA  
COVERAGE HAS BEEN GOOD WITH RESULT THAT ON SUNDAY, JULY  
11, FOR EXAMPLE, AN ESTIMATED 10-14 THOUSAND PEOPLE  
VISITED THE HURRIYA. NUMEROUS HIGH OFFICIALS AND OTHER  
DIGNITARIES ATTENDED A RECEPTION ON BOARD THE HURRIYA  
HOSTED BY ADMIRAL ZIKRY EVENING JULY 12. HURRIYA  
SCHEDULED TO DEPART TOMORROW FOR PHILADELPHIA. KISSINGER

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